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[REDACTED] CA Staff, called to say the State Department had advised him that Assistant Secretary of State for Congressional Relations Abshire and other State representatives met with Senator Clifford P. Case today on the subject of Radio Free Europe. They said Senator Case was not hostile and indicated he would not push for hearings in the Senate Foreign Relations Committee on his resolution to provide overt Government funding for RFE and Radio Liberty in view of the studies which are currently being made in the Executive Branch to resolve this problem. Senator Case made it clear, however, that he would not accept continued covert financing as a permanent solution and that he did not intend to wait indefinitely for Executive Branch resolution of the issue. 25X1

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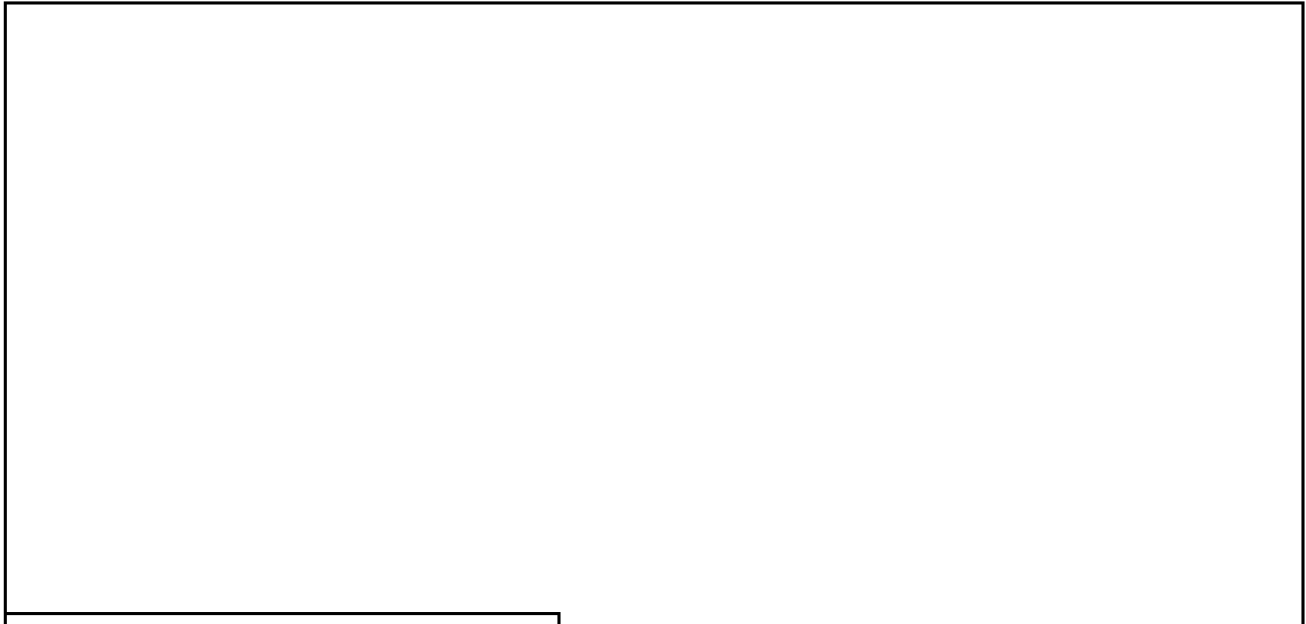
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[redacted] Mr. Roscoe Lewis, Operations Officer,
Office of Deputy Director for Coordination, Department of State, called
about a constituent inquiry that had been referred to them by Senator
Charles Percy's (R., Ill.) office. The inquiry concerned the Jack Anderson
column alleging that CIA agents had attempted to assassinate Castro. Lewis
proposes to reply using Anderson's own statements quoting John McCone
on this. I told Lewis this was just the way we would handle this inquiry
and added I would call the matter to the attention of [redacted]

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